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COUNCILLORS.

Chairman	-	-	-	J. J. OWEN.
Vice-Chairman	-	-	-	W. J. ADAMS.

WARDS.

Cwmtillery.

G. R. SHINGLER, J.P.
E. G. BARNETT.
J. J. THOMAS.
W. R. JOHN
R. BAKER
J. J. OWEN.

Abertillery.

S. R. HARRIS.
Mrs. H. GALE.
O. TRILLA.
Mrs. F. J. BROWN, M.B.E., J.P.
W. J. ADAMS.

Six Bells.

H. S. SNELGROVE.
B. EVANS.

Aberbeeg.

J. R. CLARKE.
I. POPE, B.E.M., J.P.
Mrs. F. M. PROTHEROE.

Llanhilleth.

W. H. JONES.
I. JONES.

**Day of Meeting—Last Monday in each Month,
at 6 p.m.**

Clerk of the Council	-	-	J. EVANS, SOLICITOR.
Surveyor and Water Engineer	-	-	R. H. EKE, M.I.MUN.E.
Accountant and Treasurer	-	-	R. L. ENGLAND.
Rating, Valuation Officer } and Housing Manager }	-	-	H. P. BREWER, F.R.V.A.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND CEMETERY COMMITTEE.

The Committee consists of all Members of the Council.

Councillor H. S. SNELLGROVE, Chairman.

**Day of Meeting—First Monday
in each Month.**

Medical Officer of Health	-	J. WALTERS BOWEN, M.B., B.CH., B.SC., D.P.H.
Senior Public Health Inspector	-	G. A. PARRY, A.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.
Public Health Inspector	- -	D. G. GRIFFITHS, M.A.P.H.I.
Public Health Inspector	- -	G. PERRY, A.R.S.M.
Rodent Officer	- - -	L. JONES.
Clerk	- - - -	S. E. B. SHORT.

Abertillery Urban District Council.

Area of District	..	..	..	..	..	6464 acres
Rateable Value, December 31, 1963	..	..	..	..	..	£399,957
Net Product of 1d. Rate, 1963	..	..	..	..	..	£1450
Population (Estimated Mid 1962)	..	..	..	..	..	25,020
Population (Estimated Mid 1963)	..	..	..	..	..	24,190
Birth Rate per 1,000 Population, 1962	..	..	..	..	..	18.5
Birth Rate per 1,000 Population, 1963	..	..	..	..	..	18.1
Live Births, 1962	..	..	..	..	..	465
Live Births, 1963	..	..	..	..	..	452
Number of Deaths, 1962	..	..	..	..	..	308
Death Rate per, 1000 Population 1962	..	..	..	..	..	11.8
Number of Deaths, 1963	..	..	..	..	..	304
Death Rate per 1,000 Population, 1963..	..	..	..	..	..	12.1

Abertillery Urban District Council.

REPORT

OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH TO THE URBAN
DISTRICT COUNCIL OF ABERTILLERY FOR THE YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1963.

*To the Chairman and Members of
Abertillery Urban District Council.*

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Abertillery Urban District is situated in the Western Valleys of Monmouthshire, 13 miles north-west of Newport, and 20 miles south-west of Monmouth.

Its greatest length, north to south is $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles, while it varies in breadth, east to west, from $\frac{1}{2}$ to $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles. It has an area of $10\frac{1}{4}$ square miles, being one of the largest Urban Districts in the County. The population is 24,190, and the rateable value is £399,957.

The estimated product of a penny rate is £1450.

The Urban Area is divided into 5 wards :

Ward 1. Llanhilleth—This includes that part of Llanhilleth south-east of the Nant-Cuffin, with the portions of Crumlin and Hafodyrynys which are within the district. Members on Council, 2. Area, 894 acres. Electors, 2,713.

Ward 2. Aberbeeg.—Comprises Aberbeeg and that portion of Llanhilleth N.W. of the Nant Cuffin. Members on Council, 3. Area, 927 acres. Electors, 2,482.

Ward 3. Six Bells.—Comprises Warm Turn, Six Bells, and that portion of Abertillery south of Cwm Road and the Vivian Pit. Members on Council, 2. Area, 1,092 acres. Electors, 2,657.

Ward 4. Abertillery.—Comprises the township of Abertillery, with the exception of the portions included in Wards 3 and 5. Members on Council, 5. Area, 1,151 acres. Electors, 3,901.

Ward 5. Cwmtillery.—Consists of Cwmtillery with Penybont: Blaenau Gwent, and Brynteg. Members on Council, 6. Area, 2,400 acres. Electors, 5,130.

Births.

	1963	1962	1961	1960	1959
Number of Births	.. 452	465	417	429	428
Birth Rate per 1,000—					
Abertillery	18.1	18.5	16.1	16.0	15.8
England and Wales ..	16.2	16.4	16.2	16.4	16.3
Small Towns	15.6	15.8	15.4	15.3	15.4

The number of births registered locally during 1963 was 152 of which 76 were males and 76 females.

The number of births registered outside the district but belonging to the district was 301 of which 152 were males and 149 females.

The Grand total being 452.

Males .. 228.

Females .. 224.

The Registrar General's return of births is 452. Of this number, 228 were males and 224 females.

The number of legitimate births was 217 males and 216 females.

The total number of illegitimate births from the Registrar General's return is 19 (11 males, 8 females).

Causes of Death.

TABLE II.

<i>Causes of Death.</i> ALL CAUSES					M. 170	F. 134
1.	Tuberculosis, respiratory				1	
2.	Tuberculosis, other					
3.	Syphilitic disease					
4.	Diphtheria					
5.	Whooping Cough					
6.	Meningococcal infections.. .. .					
7.	Acute Poliomyelitis					
8.	Thrombosis					
9.	Other infective and parasitic diseases					
10.	Malignant neoplasm, stomach				7	4
11.	Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus				8	2
12.	Malignant neoplasm, breast					2
13.	Malignant neoplasm, uterus					1
14.	Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms				9	15
15.	Leukaemia, aleukaemia				3	1
16.	Diabetes				3	
17.	Vascular lesions of nervous system				23	22
18.	Coronary disease, angina				32	27
19.	Hypertension with heart disease				3	5
20.	Other heart disease				17	23
21.	Other circulatory disease.. .. .				3	1
22.	Influenza				1	
23.	Pneumonia				6	6
24.	Bronchitis				24	6
25.	Other diseases of respiratory system				4	
26.	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum				3	1
27.	Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea					
28.	Nephritis and nephrosis				4	1
29.	Hyperplasia of prostate				1	
30.	Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion					
31.	Congenital malformations				4	1
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases				11	11
34.	Motor vehicle accidents					
35.	Suicides					3
36.	Homicides and operations of war					
37.	All other Accidents				3	2
Deaths in infants under 1 year of age :					12	9
	Legitimate				12	9
	Illegitimate					
TOTAL BIRTHS					228	224
	Legitimate				217	216
	Illegitimate				11	8
STILL BIRTHS					6	9
	Legitimate				6	8
	Illegitimate					1
TOTAL						

Estimated population 1963 for birth and death rates, 24,190.

TABLE III.

<i>Month</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Quarterly Births</i>
January ..	9	4	13	43
February ..	5	8	13	
March ..	6	11	17	
April	7	5	12	
May	11	7	18	43
June	8	5	13	
July	2	8	10	
August ..	7	5	12	
September ..	2	2	4	26
October ..	4	7	11	
November ..	8	3	11	
December ..	7	11	18	
<i>Total</i> ..	76	76	152	152
Inward Transferable Births ..	152	149	301	
Grand Total for 1963 ..	228	225	453	

Showing the number of births registered in the Abertillery Urban Area during 1963, according to sex, month, and quarter of occurrence, together with inward transferable births.

TABLE IV. Showing the infant deaths (*i.e.*, deaths in infants under 1 year of age) assigned to this district during 1963, by cause and in age groups.

Cause of Death	Under 1 week	1—2 weeks	2—3 weeks	3—4 weeks	Total under 1 month		1—3 months	3—6 months	6—9 months	9—12 months	Total deaths under 1 year
Prematurity ..	3	—	1	—	4		—	—	—	—	4
Heart Disease ..	1	1	—	—	2		—	—	—	—	2
Acute Bronchitis ..	—	—	—	—	—		—	—	—	—	—
Pneumonia ..	1	—	—	—	1		2	—	—	—	3
Atelectasis ..	—	—	—	—	—		—	—	—	—	—
Other Causes ..	—	—	—	—	—		—	—	—	—	—

TABLE V

Analysis of Infectious Diseases in this District during 1963. Showing Age/Sex distribution of the cases of Infectious Diseases notified in the District in 1963 also showing Admission of same to Hospital.

Disease	Under 1 year										All Ages										Admitted to Hospital					
	1-		2-		3-		4-		5-		10-		15-		20-		35-		45-				65 years and Upwards		All Ages	
	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f	m	f
Scarlet Fever
Diphtheria
Measles
Whooping Cough
Acute Poliomyelitis
Meningococcal Infection
Dysentery
Erysipelas
Food Poisoning (Suspected)
Pneumonia
Meningitis
Poliomyelitis

There were 10 inquests during the year.

The circumstances of the deaths are analysed and are as follows :—

				<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Total</i>
Accidental Death	..	..	..	3	2	5
Thrombosis	..	..	..	1	—	1
Cerebral Oedema	..	..	..	—	1	1
Cardiac Failure	..	..	..	2	—	2
Suicide	..	..	..	—	1	1
Total				6	4	10

Zymotic Diseases.

Table No. V shows the notifiable diseases which were notified in the area during 1963.

Diphtheria.

No cases of Diphtheria were notified during the year.

The immunisation of the pre-school child is now carried out at the Infant Welfare Centres by the various medical officers in attendance. Parents too may make private arrangements with their own general practitioner for such immunisation. To attain the maximum degree of protection by immunisation it is advisable that booster doses should be given when the child first attends school.

Scarlet Fever.

8 cases of Scarlet Fever were notified during the year.

Measles.

26 cases of Measles were notified during the year.

Poliomyelitis Vaccination Figures 1963.

<u>1st Injection</u>	<u>2nd Injection</u>
Nil	5
<u>3rd Injection</u>	<u>4th Injection</u>
40	65

Notification of Poliomyelitis (over last 5 years)

1959	1960	1961	1962	1963
1	nil	1	1	nil

Yet it must be remembered that for years immunisation against Poliomyelitis is available weekly at the Abertillery and Hafodyrynys Clinics and fortnightly at Llanhilleth Clinic.

Further, in all Clinics, Smallpox vaccination can be obtained if a few days prior notice is given by the parents to the Doctor or Health Visitor.

TABLE VI.

Showing Monthly notification of Tuberculosis (all forms) for the year 1963.

<i>Month</i>	PULMONARY		NON-PULMONARY		TOTAL
	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	
January ..	—	—	—	—	—
February	—	—	—	—	—
March ..	—	—	—	—	—
April ..	—	—	—	—	—
May ..	—	—	—	—	—
June ..	1	1	—	—	2
July ..	2	—	—	—	2
August ..	2	—	—	—	2
September	1	—	—	—	1
October ..	—	—	—	—	—
November	—	—	—	—	—
December	—	—	—	—	—
	6	1	—	—	7

TABLE VII.

Year	Yearly Notification of Tuberculosis.				Total Yearly Cases of Pulmonary and Non-Pulmonary T.B.	Deaths from Tuberculosis				Total Yearly Deaths from Tuberculosis
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary			Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		
	Males	Females	Males	Females		Males	Females	Males	Females	
1955	16	11	1	—	22	1	5	—	—	6
1956	10	6	—	—	22	2	—	—	—	2
1957	16	7	1	2	20	3	—	—	—	3
1958	10	5	1	—	12	1	—	—	—	1
1959	4	4	1	—	9	2	2	—	—	4
1960	9	—	1	—	10	—	—	—	—	—
1961	8	2	—	—	10	3	1	—	—	4
1962	4	—	2	—	6	2	1	—	—	3
1963	6	1	—	—	7	—	—	—	—	—

TABLE VIII. Showing the admissions and discharges to institutions for the treatment of Tuberculosis during 1963.

<i>Institution</i>	<i>Admissions</i>		<i>Discharges</i>	
	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>
South Wales Sanatorium, Talgarth	2	2	—	—
Sully	—	—	—	—
Cefn Mably...	—	—	—	—
Glan Ely	—	—	—	—
Gelli-Gaer	—	—	—	—
	2	2	—	—

All cases of suspected Tuberculosis are seen at the Chest Clinic run by the Regional Hospital Board.

Meteorological Records.

SUMMARY OF DAILY RECORDS TAKEN AT NEW CEMETERY AND THE PARK, 1963.

Month	The Park				New Cemetery
	Inches	Rain Days	Temperature ° C		Sunshine Hours
			Highest	Lowest	
January ..	3.28	2	3.3	-15.5	Out of Order 33.20 31.40 21.20 16.50 21.20 29.00 14.00 16.00 9.00
February ..	3.13	8	7.2	-12.7	
March ..	8.67	21	11.6	-7.2	
April ..	4.50	22	17.7	-1.6	
May ..	3.90	20	18.8	-0.5	
June ..	4.93	16	26.1	5.5	
July ..	4.68	15	26.1	4.4	
August ..	5.94	16	25.0	13.3	
September ..	3.72	16	24.4	3.3	
October ..	3.30	18	17.2	0.5	
November ..	12.44	27	13.3	-2.2	
December ..	1.93	6	9.4	-7.2	

Total inches for year, 60.42 Rain days, 187.

Total hours of Sunshine recorded, 192 hrs., 30 mins.

Highest Temperature for Year, 26.1° C.

Lowest Temperature for Year, -15.5° C.

COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF HOUSE AND TRADE REFUSE 1963.

The following report was kindly supplied by the Engineer and Surveyor, REGINALD H. EKE, Esq., M.I.MUN.E.

The collection of Refuse in the Urban Area is carried out with Diesel and Petrol-Driven Vehicles with covered bodies of semi-circular type so as to prevent, as far as possible, dust being blown about while the lorries are travelling.

Collections are made twice weekly, also collection of Trade Refuse from the Business Premises.

Disposal is by the "Controlled Tipping" method, by which the refuse is laid to plan, properly consolidated, and the areas later used to provide facilities for recreation. The Council have formed Sports Grounds at Rose Heyworth Road for the Abertillery Grammar School, and the Ground, when completed by the School Authority will include a Football Field, Hockey Pitch, Cricket Pitch and Tennis Courts.

Other Grounds completed are at the Walpole Field, Llanhilleth, Woodland Field, Cwmtillery, a Children's Playground and a Recreation Ground at Aberbeeg, and another Recreation Ground is being formed at Brynithel. Considerable interest is being shewn in these activities by neighbouring Authorities, and several Councils have sent their Representatives to view the progress and method of the work.

Sewage Disposal

The Western Valleys (Mon.) Sewerage Board deals with the sewage of eight urban districts, viz. :—

Abertillery, Abercarn, Risca, Tredegar, Ebbw Vale,
Mynyddislwyn, Nantyglo & Blaina and Bedwellty.

together with part of St. Mellons R.D.C. and part of the Newport Borough. The scheme has worked well since its completion.

The carrying capacity of the trunk sewer has been affected from time to time by mining subsidence and diversions and relays have been necessary. The flows from local authority subsidiary sewers have increased due to rising living standards, and the consequent additional use of domestic water. A comprehensive drainage survey is now being carried out by the Board with a view to improving the trunk sewer to meet the additional requirements of the area.

Abertillery U.D.C. Area

During the year the 21 inch diameter relief sewer was completed in Carlyle Street and there has been no re-occurrence of the drainage problems previously experienced in Glandwr Street.

The Diversion of the Trunk Sewer at Llanhilleth Park has also been completed in 30 inch diameter tubes and is working very satisfactorily.

THE ABERTILLERY & DISTRICT WATER BOARD.

The Engineer to the Board, PERCY BEARD, Esq., M.INST.C.E., M.INST.W.E., has supplied the following particulars.

The total rainfall for 1963, at Grwyne Fawr Reservoir, Breconshire, was 52.40 inches as compared with 51.19 inches in 1962, and 60.04 inches in 1961.

During 1962, the highest monthly rainfall recorded was 11.25 inches in November and the lowest was 1.86 inches in December.

The highest daily rainfall recorded was 1.33 inches on the 25th November. Rain fell on 229 days at the Reservoir during 1963.

The mains and service pipes in the Board's district are continually tested and inspected for leakages and many repairs are carried out to fractured pipes.

The Board's Llanover Works where underground water from a disused Colliery is treated before being passed to supply continuous to operate well.

In September, 1962, work commenced on a pumping station at Rogerstone and a 3,000,000 gallon service reservoir at Risca, together with necessary pipelines for bringing Llandegfedd water into the Board's distribution system. The Board's reservation from Llandegfedd Reservoir is 3,000,000 gallons per day. The works were commissioned in the spring of 1964, the initial take of water into the Distribution System being 1.1 m.g.d. The average daily quantity of water passed into supply during the year was 3.603 m.g.d.

Pit-Head Baths.

Pit-head baths are now established in connection with the Rose Heyworth, Cwmtillery, Llanhilleth and Arael Griffin Collieries.

These establishments are working satisfactorily and are proving a great boon to those engaged in the industry.

Swimming Baths.

There is one swimming bath in this area situated in the Park at Abertillery, and controlled by the Abertillery U.D.C.

This is an open-air bath, which was originally constructed in 1900, and measured 90 feet x 30 feet, with 88,594 gallons capacity. The bath was modernised in 1936 at a cost of £3,000, providing a bath 92 feet x 43 feet, with 125,000 gallons capacity. The special filtration plant is capable of "turning the water over" in six hours. There are 20 cubicles for men and 13 for women, with provision for sun-bathing on concrete promenades.

1. Date of Construction	1900—Modernised 1936.
2. Open-air or Covered	Open-air.
3. Cost of Construction	Modernisation £3,000.
4. Capacity :	
(a) Dimensions	92ft. x 43ft.
(b) Gallonage to fill	125,000.
(c) Number of bathers provided for	33 Cubicles.
5. Method of Purification	Filtration and Chlorinisation Plant.

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|---|--|
| 6. How often changed | Six-hourly periods of "turn over" |
| 7. Source of Water Supply. | Local. |
| (a) If local, estimated flow | (a) 30/60 gallons per minute according to season from adjacent stream. |
| (b) If purchased, cost per 1,000 gallons. | (b) Mains supply. |
| | (a) Annual easement for water right. |
| | (b) 2/- per 1,000 gallons. |
| 8. Laundry facilities (if any) | None. |
| 9. Number of cubicles | 33. |
| 10. Any other dressing accommodation provided | None. |
| 11. Number of Staff engaged | One to Two. |
| 12. Duration of open period | April to September. |

In conclusion, I wish to thank the Public Health Inspectors and other Departments of the Council for their willing co-operation during the year.

Yours obediently,

J. WALTERS BOWEN,

Medical Officer of Health.

Abertillery
Urban District Council.

Senior Public Health Inspector's

R E P O R T

For the Year

1963

Public Health Department,
Council Offices,
Alexandra Road,
Abertillery, Mon.

The following is my report on work carried out by the Department for the year ending December 31st, 1963.

The Sanitary Administration and Conditions for the year 1963

The following tables show particulars of the work carried out by Public Health Inspectors :—

Visits to Animals, etc., kept :—

Piggeries	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Fowls, pigeons	..	..	..	..	..	..	8

Complaints :—

Total number investigated (all premises)	..	..	..	749
Common Lodging House	..	..	..	10

Dairies :—

Premises examined	..	..	..	..	..	31
Number of Purveyors' vehicles	..	..	..	..	..	9

Drainage :—

Number of main or branch drains smoke tested	..	..	230
" " " " " " " colour tested	..	..	281
" " " " " " " found defective	..	..	146
" " " " " " " re-constructed	..	..	101
Visits to works in progress	..	..	288

Dwelling Houses :—

Number inspected <i>re</i> complaint of nuisance	..	..	651
Number re-inspected " " " "	..	..	872
Number inspected <i>re</i> overcrowding	..	..	3
Interviews with Owners and Tenants	..	..	244
" " " " " " " Tradesmen	177

Licensed Houses, Cafes, etc. examined <i>re</i> urinals, and W.C's, etc.	23
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Miscellaneous Visits :—

Visits not otherwise classified and other works in progress	198
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Offensive Trade premises	9
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Public Conveniences :—

Number of inspections	66
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Amusement premises	23
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The nuisances were :—

Defective Roofs, troughing, down-pipes, etc.	154
Defective Window-frames, doors, etc.	52
Defective or insufficient yard paving	..	..	..	12
Damp or Defective Walls, external	..	..	..	80
Choked or defective drainage	..	..	..	148
Insufficient W.C. and slop-water drainage	..	..	..	23
Defective and insufficient closet accommodation	..	..	..	62

Defective and insufficient water supply	10
Miscellaneous nuisances	93
Defective ceilings	47
Defective walls (internal)	53
Defective floors	14
Defective waste pipes	21

Many and varied were the nuisances discovered. In some cases the owners and occupiers were interviewed and the nuisances abated at once, and in other cases legal notices were served.

Foods.

MILK SUPPLY.

Number of persons registered under the Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1950.

Number on Register in 1963	13
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The number of inspections made last year was 31 and Vehicles 9
From 1st January, 1960, the issue of licences to sell graded milks was taken over by the Monmouthshire County Council.

ICE CREAM.

Number of premises registered during the year	2
Number of premises registered	113
Number of registered persons producing	—
Number of inspections of premises and vehicles	68

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

The following particulars show the amount of attention given to securing a wholesome supply of food.

Visits to Premises :—

Fish, fruit and vegetable shops	..	..	..	..	105
Meat shops	..	..	..	..	183
Fried fish and chip shops	..	..	..	..	46
Bakehouses	..	..	..	..	31
Premises registered for the preparation of food				..	178
Other premises where food is prepared, sold or stored				..	287
Cafes and Hotels	..	..	..	..	23
Market	..	..	..	..	6

STORES AND VEHICLES.

Attention is being given to the cleanliness of vehicles, wrappers, etc., used for bringing meat into the district and for conveying meat to the shops, and the conditions are satisfactory within existing Law.

The men who handle such meat are compelled to wear clean overalls.

There is no public abattoir.

FRIED FISH AND CHIP SHOPS.

There are 9 registered shops in the area which are kept in a satisfactory condition.

46 inspections of these premises were carried out.

OTHER FOODS.

Meat, fish and fruit shops are regularly visited, and the food exposed for sale or stored is examined.

Pork butchers' premises, where sausage meat and small goods are prepared, receive great and constant attention.

Bakehouses are regularly inspected, and the sanitary conditions are noted and dealt with as required.

No case of food poisoning was notified in the district during 1963.

The Sale of Food and Drugs Act is administered by the Monmouthshire County Council.

Summary of Foodstuffs Condemned, 1963

<i>No.</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Weight</i>
2 tins	Mince meat	
34 „	Cream	
3 jars	Cream	
9 tins	Mixed Vegetables	
3 „	Vegetable Salad	
79 „	Soup	
293 „	Fruit	
166 „	Tomatoes	
91 „	Peas	
81 „	Beans	
66 „	Evaporated Milk	
12 „	Rice	
32 „	Fish	
4 „	Minced Pork	
30 „	Stewed Steak	
1 tin	Steak and Onions	
1 „	Sausages	
26 tins	Irish Stew	
3 „	Beetroot	
1 tin	Carrots	
5 jars	Blackcurrants	
1 jar	Honey	
1 pkt.	Nestea	
1 tin	Nescafe	
10 tins	Broadbeans	
2 „	Shandy	
1 tin	Pudding	
2 jars	Salad Cream	
15 tins	Condensed Milk	
6 „	Miscellaneous	
3 „	Sausage and Beans	
2 „	Corned Mutton	
15 „	Fruit Juice	
3 „	Spaghetti	
4 „	Meat Paste	
2 „	Hamburgers	
5 „	Baby Food	
1 tin	Ham and Beef	
1 „	Lamb Chop and Vegetable	
1 „	Patties	
1 jar	Wimberries	
1 „	Salmon Spread	
1 „	Jam	

Summary of Foodstuffs Condemned—*contd.*

<i>No.</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Weight</i>
1 bottle	Cockles	
1	Chicken	2 lbs. 12 ozs.
	Lamb	42 lbs.
	Pig Kidneys	2 lbs.
	Brawn	10 lbs.
	Pressed Beef	3 lbs. 8 ozs.
	Minced Beef	1 lbs.
	Pork	6 lbs.
3 tins	Gammon	48 lbs. 8 ozs.
	Beef Milano	3 lbs.
5 tins	Jellied Veal	30 lbs.
	Beef	65 lbs. 4 ozs.
	Roast Pork	11 lbs. 4 ozs.
	Pork Loin	14 lbs.
	Cooked Fores	5 lbs.
	Pork Tenderloins	4 lbs.
	Italian Salami	2 lbs. 12 ozs.
	Pork Shoulder	19 lbs. 8 ozs.
	Crumb Roll	3 lbs.
3 tins	Pork Roll	
17 „	Pork Luncheon Meat	
7 „	Chopped Ham	
1 tin	Minced Steak	
	Jellied Veal	30 lbs.
258 tins	Corned Beef	240 lbs.
15 „	Chopped Pork	32 lbs. 4 ozs.
10 „	Tongue	36 lbs. 10 ozs.
32 „	Cooked Ham	283 lbs. 3 ozs.
	Fillets	3 lbs. 8 ozs.
1 tin	Butter Beans	
6 tins	Macaroni Cheese	
3 „	Pie Filling	
2 „	Chicken and Ham	
3 „	Frankfurters	
1 tin	Stuffed Pork	

Housing.

Number of new houses erected during the year :—

Total	8
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1. Inspection of Dwelling houses during the year:—

(1) (a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts	135
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(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ..	675
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(2) (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-heading (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925-1957	24
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(b) Number of inspections made for that purpose ..	41
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(3) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious as to be unfit for human habitation	—
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(4) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under previous sub-headings) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	125
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2. Remedy of defects during the year without service of formal notice —

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers	56
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3. Action under Statutory Powers during the Year.

(a) Proceedings under sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1957.	
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(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	—
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(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices :—	
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(a) By owners	—
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(b) By local authority in default of owners	nil
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HOUSING—cont.

(b)	Proceedings under Public Health Acts:—	
(1)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	61
(2)	Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :—	
(a)	By owners	27
(b)	By local authority in default of owners	20
(c)	Proceedings under Sections 16 (1-4), 17 (1), 19, 21, 23 and 35 (1) (2) Housing Act, 1957,	
(1)	Number of representations made to the Local Authority in respect of unfit dwelling-houses ..	2
(2)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which demolition Orders were made	—
(3)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which closing orders were made	—
(4)	Number of dwelling-houses closed in pursuance of Closing Orders	2
(5)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Closing Orders were revoked	—
(d)	Proceedings under Section 18 & 27 of the Housing Act, 1957:—	
(1)	Number of representations made to the local authority in respect of parts of dwelling-houses or underground rooms	3
(2)	Number of dwelling-houses in respect of parts of which Closing Orders were made	3

Housing, 1963.

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF HOUSES OWNED BY
ABERTILLERY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL AT 31/12/63

	<i>Temp. Pre-fabs</i>	<i>Perm. Pre-fabs</i>	<i>Traditional</i>	TOTAL
*No of houses owned by Local Authority on 31/12/63 (including Flats)	100	300	564	964
No. of houses in course of erection on 31/12/63 ...	—	—	—	—
No. of houses for which sanction had been given, but which had not been commenced on 31/12/63 ..	—	—	—	—
†By Local Authority	—	—	—	—
†By Private Enterprise ...	—	—	8	8
TOTAL	—	—	8	8

*Showing the number of Houses owned by Abertillery Urban District Council at 31/12/63.

†Showing the number of Houses erected by the Abertillery Urban District Council and by Private Enterprise during 1963.

House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959.

Grants for Conversion or Improvement of Housing Accommodation.

Conversions.

No. of Applications received	...	...	Nil
No. of Applications approved	...	...	Nil
Amounts paid	...	...	Nil

Improvements.

No. of Applications received	...	...	13
No. of Applications approved	...	...	6
Amount of Grants paid	...	...	£2,023

Standard Grants For Improvement of Dwellings.

No. of Applications received	...	...	88
No. of Applications approved	...	...	53
Amount of Grants paid	...	...	£5,977
No. of Inspections carried out	...	...	88
No. of Re-inspections carried out	...	...	59
No. of Applications cancelled	...	...	13
Visits to work in progress	...	...	71

Mon. County Council Act, 1956.

Registration of Hairdressers and Barbers.

During the year 18 inspections were carried out.

**Public Health Act, 1961, Section 17
and Mon. County Council Act, 1956, Section 79.**

Summary powers to remedy stopped drainage.

No. of Notices served—14

Executed in default — 8

MISCELLANEOUS DUTIES.

Shops Act Administration.

Shops Act, 1950.

During the year 15 visits were made under the above Act.

REGISTERED FACTORIES.

Factories without Mechanical Power :—

Boot repairers	1
Carpentry and Joinery	3
Radio and Electrical repairs.. .. .	2
	—
Total	6

Factories with Mechanical Power :—

Bake-houses	4
Brewers	1
Motor repairers	12
Mortar Mills	2
Carpentry and Joinery	7
Undertakers	2
Sausage and Cooked Meats.. .. .	13
Dressmaking	1
Industrial Gloves	1
Iron Foundries	1
Gas Storage — Motor Repairs	1
Printing Works	3
Manufacturing Chemists	1
Lampshade Making	1
Engineering Workshop	1
Watch repairers	1
Omnibus maintenance and repair	3
Works of Engineering and Building Construction	3
Clothing Manufacturer	1
	—
Total	59

Factory Act, 1937.

1. Inspection for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

<i>Premises</i>	<i>Number on Register</i>	<i>Number of</i>		<i>Occupier Prosecuted</i>
		<i>Inspections</i>	<i>Written Notices</i>	
(1) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 enforced by Local Authority ..	6	22	—	—
(2) Factories not inc. in (1) to which Section 7 is enforced by the local Authority	56	47	—	—
(3) Other premises under the Act (excluding outworkers' premises) ..	3	3	—	—
TOTAL	65	72	—	—

2.—DEFECTS FOUND IN FACTORIES.

<i>Particulars</i>	<i>Number of Defects</i>			<i>Number of Prosecutions</i>
	<i>Found</i>	<i>Remedied</i>	<i>Referred by H.M. Insp.</i>	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	2	2	—	—
Want of ventilation (S.4)	—	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2)	—	—	—	—
Want of drainage of floors (S.6)	—	—	—	—
Sanitary accommodation { insufficient	—	—	—	—
{ unsuitable or defective	—	—	—	—
{ not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—
Other offences (not including offences relating to Outwork)	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	2	2	—	—

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949.
REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1963.

Form PDP/R.3

Name of Local Authority—ABERTILLERY U.D.C. (County)—MONMOUTHSHIRE.

	NON-AGRICULTURAL			
	Local Authority 1	Dwelling houses Inc. Council houses 2	All other (in- cluding Business Premises). 3	Total Cols. 1, 2, 3 Agricultural
I. Total number of properties in Local Authority's District (Notes I and 2)	27	7319	673	8019
II. Number of properties inspected as a result of :—				
(a) Notification	2	122	11	135
(b) Survey under the Act	27	704	197	928
(c) Otherwise (e.g., when visited primarily for some other purpose)	—	—	—	—
III. Total inspections carried out—including re-inspections (To be completed only if figures are readily available)	—	—	—	—
IV. Number of properties inspected (in Sect. II) which were found to be infested by :—				
(a) Rats	—	—	—	—
Major	—	—	—	—
Minor	2	18	—	20
(b) Mice	—	—	—	—
Major	—	—	—	—
Minor	—	29	—	29

V.	Number of infested properties (in Sect. IV) treated by the Local Authority (Figures should not exceed those given at Sect. IV.)	...	...	...	2	47	—	49	—
VI.	Total treatments carried out including re-treatments (To be completed only if figures are readily available)	...	...	...	—	—	—	—	—
VII.	Number of notices served under Section 4 of the Act:—	...	...	...	—	—	—	—	—
	(a) Treatment	...	...	...	—	7	2	9	—
	(b) Structural Works (i.e. Proofing)	...	...	...	—	—	—	—	—
VIII.	Number of cases in which default action was taken following the issue of a notice under Section 4 of the Act.	...	...	...	—	—	—	—	—
IX.	Legal Proceedings	...	...	...	—	—	—	—	—
X.	Number of "block" control schemes carried out ..	...	...	...	—	9	—	9	—

In conclusion, I wish to thank all Departments of the Council for their willing co-operation during the year.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

G. A. PARRY,
Senior Inspector.



